

*AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS*

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A nutrition trace element composition, wherein one daily dose of the composition contains ~~0.5~~ 1 mg-2 mg of selenium and ~~40~~ 30 mg-100 mg of zinc as trace elements, and wherein iron is not contained as a trace element.
2. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition exists as an infusion solution.
3. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 2, wherein the infusion solution exists in a form suitable for parenteral administration.
4. (Currently Amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition exists as a concentrate with ~~0.05 mg-0.2~~ 1 mg/ml of selenium and ~~1 mg-10~~ 30 mg/ml of zinc.
5. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition exists as an aqueous solution for injection purposes.
6. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 1, further comprising other trace elements selected from the group consisting of chromium, fluorine, iodine, copper, manganese and molybdenum.
7. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is formulated as a 10-ml infusion solution.
8. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition exists as an aqueous solution in an ampoule.
- 9.-15. (Cancelled)
16. (Currently Amended) A method of nutrition of humans, which method comprises administering to a human a nutrition trace element composition comprising selenium and zinc, wherein the daily dose of the composition comprises ~~0.5~~ 1 mg-2 mg of

selenium and ~~10~~ 30 mg-100 mg of zinc, and wherein the trace element iron is not administered to the human.

17. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 16, wherein the human is an intensive care patient or a sepsis patient.

18. (Cancelled)

19. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 16, wherein the composition is administered parenterally.

20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 16, wherein the method further comprises administering other trace elements selected from the group consisting of chromium, fluorine, copper, iodine, manganese and molybdenum.

21. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 16, wherein the composition is administered for a period of at least 3 days.

22. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21, wherein the composition is administered for a period of at least 5 days.

23. (Currently Amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition comprises electrolytes, wherein the electrolytes are in the form of electrolyte concentrates exclusively.